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Battle for Ballot at Varuna Constituency

BJP's Somanna files nomination accompanied by CM Bommai

BJP candidate V. Somanna (second from right) submitting his nomination papers to Returning Officer Gaurav Kumar Shetty at Varuna Taluk Panchayat Office in Nanjangud this noon. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, MPs V. Sreenivasa Prasad and Pratap Simha and BJP leader Sadananda are seen.

Nanjangud, Apr.17 (Sunil&DM)- The high stakes political battle between Opposition leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah of the Congress and Housing Minister V. Somanna of the BJP in Varuna Assembly segment of Mysuru district, the home Constituency of Siddharamaiah, shot off today with BJP candidate Somanna filing his nomination papers from Varuna at Taluk Panchayat Office in Nanjangud Taluk this noon, in the presence of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. He submitted the papers to Returning Officer Gaurav Kumar Shetty, Chief Administrative Officer, MMC&RI along with Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, Chamarajanagar MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad and BJP leader Sadananda.

Earlier, CM Bommai launched the poll campaign for Somanna by addressing a mega rally at Golur Circle on Nanjangud-Chamarajanagar road, in which thousands of people took part.

(See SOMANNA on page 7)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 17th April 2023

Communication tips for BEd. students

Guest speaker Dr. N.N. Prahallada, who was felicitated, seen with Principal of Vidya Vikas College of Education Dr. Rajgopal *(third from left)* ***and other teaching faculty.***

Mysuru, Apr. 17 - 'Communication is the process of passing ideas or feelings from one person to another. Communication involves at least two persons,' said Dr. N.N. Prahallada, former Faculty, Regional Institute of Education (RIE), NCERT, Mysuru.

He was delivering a special lecture on the topic "How to make communication effective" to a group of 100 BEd. students of Vidya Vikas College of Education on Bannur Road here recently.

Explaining that language is a *sine qua non* (essential condition) for promoting appropriate communication skills, Dr. Prahallada also listed out the top ten Communication Skills — Listening, Non-verbal Communication, Clarity, Friendliness, Confidence, Empathy, Open-mindedness, Respect, Feedback and Picking the Right Medium. Dr. Rajgopal, Principal, Vidya Vikas College of Education, welcomed.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

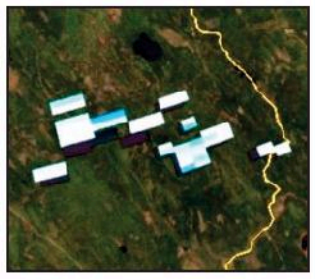
The Upanishads are mostly considered as something to be taken up after one becomes old. However, this is not true. We need the wisdom of the Upanishads to navigate our way through this life and find contentment. The Upanishads declare "Let go and rejoice." Now, what could this mean? Normally rejoicing is linked with having more and more. One needs to acquire more in order to rejoice. But here is a contradictory statement which says, "Let go and rejoice." This can only be understood by someone who has given up something and found the relief, the joy in doing so. The Upanishad says that this "letting go" can be done only when it is understood that the Supreme Being pervades everything. If it pervades everything, there is nothing which needs to be added to us from outside. This rejoicing is in the understanding that your very Self, is no different from that Isha, that Supreme Being. Of course, when one is alive, one consumes and acquires. But deep in the consciousness, it is to be understood that true happiness is a state of mind not dependant upon what you acquire or enjoy. Rejoicing is more to do with the inner state than outer possessions.

As one acquires fame, status and a bank balance, more needs are created. This is an unending process. It is not that we should give up everything and become sanyasins — No! What is being said is that as we watch, as we become aware of this unending process of acquiring and becoming, we realise that there is a state of mind which is independent of all this. The rishis declare that the reservoir of all enjoyment is within us. You may call it 'hridhaya', 'inner consciousness' or 'atma.' It is within! If you can understand that, then you can enjoy everything at once. This comes about not through craving for enjoyment but by understanding that this craving has no end. Whatever we acquire, status, objects, name or fame, soon slips away and the happiness due to acquiring slips away too. When one realises the impermanence of life and when one begins to wonder whether there is anything permanent at all, the rishis step in and say, "There is something within you that is permanent. Your search for happiness is actually the search for this Supreme Isha."

— Sri M in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Museum offers $25,000 reward for crashed meteorite



Maine: A Maine museum is offering 25,000 dollars reward for the retrieval of meteorite fragments that made landfall near the Canadian border.

The Maine Mineral & Gem Museum said in a Facebook post that the fireball was visible in the April 8 daytime sky over Washington County, Maine, and Doppler radar from NASA indicated pieces of the space rock crashed to earth near Calais, which is close to the border with Canada.

The museum is offering a $25,000 reward for the first person who finds and turns over a meteorite fragment weighing at least 2.2 pounds

Darryl Pitt, head of the meteorite division at the Maine Mineral & Gem Museum, said hundreds of meteorites fall to earth each year, but only eight to 10 of the space rocks are recovered by researchers annually.

Stolen ID returned after 41 years

Vancouver: A student ID found in a buried purse in a British Columbia man's yard was returned to its owner 41 years after the bag was apparently stolen.

The Nanaimo RCMP said a man was digging a hole for a fence post in his Nanaimo yard recently when he found an old purse that was deteriorating from apparent years underground.

The man opened the purse and found a well-preserved 1981-1982 student ID from Wellington Junior Secondary School, which is now Wellington High School. The resident turned his discovery over to Police, who were able to identify the owner of the ID, identified only as Lori, who was reunited with her ID.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth: Taking Iron and calcium supplements in pregnancy leads to weight gain

Reality: No they do not lead to weight gain, Weight gain is due to excessive calorie intake and lack of exercise.

By Dr. Shaheen Akhtar - Consultant – Obstetrics and Gynecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Fifteen-day Virtual KSOU Placement Drive launched

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (SSM)- The fifteen-day Virtual KSOU Placement Drive-2023 organised by Industry Institute Interaction Cell and Placement Cell of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in association with Proofile.in was launched by CII Mysuru Zone Chairman Sam Cherian at a programme organised at the KSOU premises in city on Apr. 15.

The drive conducted exclusively for KSOU UG and PG students across Karnataka will be held till Apr. 30. The main objective of the placement drive is to help the students across the State to find suitable jobs and also to train students on building resumes and attending virtual hiring process.

Speaking on the occasion Sam Cherian said that students should build impressive digital resume to explore more opportunities digitally in this career world.

KSOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse, in his address, called upon the students to take advantage of this opportunity to build their career and asked them to not miss the chance and make use of the complete hiring process through this virtual platform.

Industry Institute Interaction Coordinator Dr. Rajeshwari said that over 20 companies are offering 2,000-plus jobs to the candidates. Candidates may build their digital resume by logging on to *https://onelink.to/r2e26g*.

For further assistance, candidates may call Helpline Number: 95133-73737

Founder and CEO of Proofile. in S.V. Venkatesh and others were present in the inauguration programme.

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- ***The world's oldest known flower is a 130-million-year-old specimen of Montsechia Vidalii.***

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1 US Dollar	= Rs. 81.96
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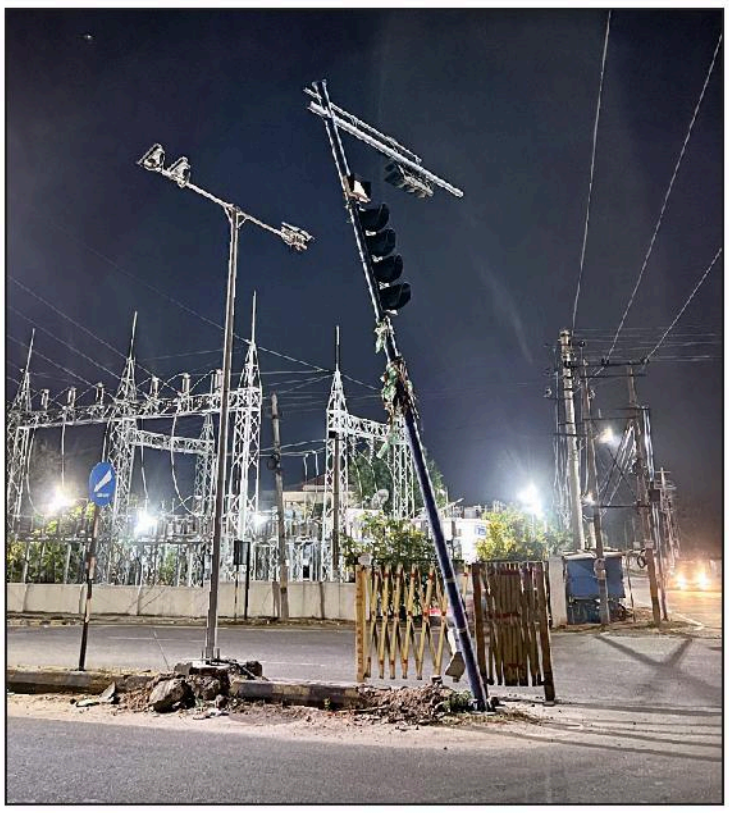
VOICE OF THE READER

Leaning traffic signal post poses imminent threat



Sir,

It's been many years since the traffic signal posts were installed at KEB Junction of Outer Ring Road and Vishwamanava Double Road at Kanakadasanagar which has been unofficially called as BGS Circle.

These signal lights never ever showed Red, Orange and Green lights to control traffic. Now, having stood without functioning, one of the poles has started leaning and posing a threat of falling, which may be fatal or non-fatal.

The authorities concerned should pay attention and repair it as early as possible.

—B.G. Balaji
Kanakadasanagar
17.3.2023

Karnataka Ursu Mahamandali Charitable Trust formed

HMT Lingaraje Urs felicitates Chairman of Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes Jayaprakash Hegde as President of Karnataka Ursu Mahamandali Charitable Trust B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs and Dr. M.G.R.Urs look on.

Mysuru, Apr.17- Chairman of Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes Jayaprakash Hegde inaugurated Karnataka Ursu Mahamandali Charitable Trust at 110-year-old Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple premises (Heritage Sabha Mantap) on Thyagaraja Road in city recently.

Launching the website of the Trust by clicking on the icon *"kuctrust.org,"* Hegde also recalled the initiatives taken by erstwhile Maharaja Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, followed by the then Chief Minister D. Devaraj Urs through Havanur Commission for the uplift of backward classes.

He assured the gathering that he will recommend for political reservation for Ursu community.

Stating that he was happy to visit the 110-year-old heritage Temple, he lauded the carvings of idols of Sri Krishna with his consorts Rukmini Devi and Satyabhama, a rare sight to see.

President of the Trust B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs said how in a short span of three days, the website was developed by his relative Anandaraje Urs.

Suma Urs rendered the invocation. Dr. M.G.R. Urs welcomed. Secretary of the Trust Y.M. Kiran Urs proposed a vote of thanks.

Endowment lecture on future cement technology held

Dr. Manamohan Kalgal

One of the shell structures projected by the speaker during his talk.

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (BCT)- A session on 'Ultra High-Performance Fibre Reinforced Concrete (UHPFRC) - A Leap Forward' was organised at Sir MV Hall in the Golden Jubilee Complex of National Institute of Engineering (NIE) recently by the Mysore Centre of the Association of Consulting Civil Engineers (India).

The session was organised as part of T.K. Nagaraj Endowment Lecture, sponsored by Er. T.N. Hemanth, son of late T.K. Nagaraj.

Addressing a packed hall, Dr. Manamohan Kalgal, former Professor of Civil Engineering, M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology, Bengaluru and former Joint President and Head of Technical Services, Ultratech Cement, traced the evolution of conventional concrete from normal strength concrete, in different phases, to self-compacting concrete to ultra-high performance concrete and said that the recent advances have led to a new type of concrete known as UHPFRC.

"In self-compacting concrete, concrete can be pumped and placed with ease around congested reinforcements. UHPFRC which is formulated by combining Portland cement, silica fume, quartz flour, fine silica sand, high range water reducer, water and steel or organic fibres, has many advantages and wider applications," he said.

Fibre is a small discrete reinforcing material produced from various materials like steel, glass, plastic etc. "While the cost is much higher as compared with conventional concrete, the properties of this concrete enable the designers to create economical sections with as high a compressive strength, achieving zero permeability, ductility, toughness and crack resistance", observed Dr. Kalgal.

He also said while many countries were using UHPFRC, the concept is yet to be used on a large scale in India and is a 'leap forward' to the future. Earlier, Chairman of ACCE (I) Er. H.S. Deepak welcomed the gathering and introduced the distinguished speaker. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Hon. Secretary Er. S. Shashiraj.

Free workshop for Accounts Assistants and Junior Accounts Assistants

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (SSM)- University of Mysore (UoM) Negilayogi Vidhya Vardhaka Competitive Academy will be conducting a one-day free workshop for aspirants of 67 posts of Junior Accounts Assistants and 242 posts of Accounts Assistants vacant in the Department of Karnataka State Audit and Accounts, at Vidyavardhaka Law College premises on Seshadri Iyer Road near, Old RMC here on Apr. 19 at 10 am.

The qualification for Junior Accounts Assistants is a pass in II PUC (Commerce-Accountancy) and for Accounts Assistants is a pass in B.Com, BBA or BBM. Last date to apply for Accounts Assistants exam is Apr. 23 while for Junior Accounts Assistants exam is Apr. 25

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be taking up the first quarterly maintenance works at Yelwal Power Distribution Centre, power will be disrupted tomorrow (Apr. 18) between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas: Yelwal, Hale-Kamanakoppal, Maidana Halli, Meghalapura, Bhadregowdana Koppal, Chikkagowdana Koppal, Hosakote, Sarakatte, Yachegowdanahalli, Dadakanahalli, Ramenahalli, Yadahalli, Kallur, Naganahalli, Gungralchatra, Chatrada Koppal, Ratnalli, Veerappana Koppal and surrounding areas, according to the Executive Engineer (EE), CESC, V.V. Mohalla Division.

World Heritage Day tomorrow

As part of World Heritage Day, the Department of Heritage, Archaeology and Museums will be conducting a seminar and special lecture programme for the city's Postal Training Institute students at the Seminar Hall of the Department of Ancient History and Archaeological Studies, KSOU, Muktagangothri, Hunsur Road, at 10.30 am tomorrow (Apr. 18).

Mass Upanayana

Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha, Mysuru, has organised a free mass Upanayana for Trimatastha Brahmana Vatus as part of Sri Shankara Jayanthi at its premises on Thyagaraja Road on K.R. Mohalla on May 8. Krishnaswamy Shastry will lead the event while Sabha President N. Srinivas will preside. [Ph: 0821-2446498 or Mob: 94496-06311]

WATER LEVEL

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Inflow	:	156 cusecs
Outflow	:	621 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,255.45 feet
Inflow	:	56 cusecs
Outflow	:	500 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,821.25 feet
Inflow	:	17 cusecs
Outflow	:	65 cusecs

Project CAP-TB launched to make Mysuru, Chamarajanagar 'TB-free'

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (PM&BS)- Collaboration to Eliminate Tuberculosis Among Indians (CETI), Ashraya Hastha Trust and Central Government's National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme have jointly launched a project to make Mysuru and Chamarajanagar Tuberculosis (TB)-free districts. The project 'CAP-TB' launched on a pilot basis was formally kick-started by Infosys Co-Founder and Ashraya Hastha Trust Founder K. Dinesh at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital on M.G. Road in city recently.

Following a two-month preliminary arrangement, the project was formally being taken up by launching the activities on an experimental basis to get rid of TB in both the districts.

In the first phase, it has been planned to eliminate TB in Mysuru district's K.R. Nagar, Periyapatna and T. Narasipur taluks and Chamarajanagar district's Kollegal and Gundlupet taluks. It has been planned to take up the programmes under Plan-Do-Study-Act (PDSA), through CAP-TB Project.

Under the project, the target is to make both Mysuru and Chamarajanagar districts TB-free in the next two years. A meeting of officials from various Departments including those of Health and Family Welfare Department and representatives of various NGOs was also conducted in relation to the implementation of the project, during the launch of the project.

K.M. Gayathri, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Mysuru Zilla Panchayat, who was the chief guest, said that "It is possible to get rid of TB only when the doctors, NGOs and District Administration work in tandem to implement the plans. We have successfully faced COVID-19 that struck all of a sudden. We have the energy to drive away TB too, but we have to show willingness in this regard."

"When I was the CEO of Chamarajanagar ZP, I had identified tribal areas to implement TB-related programmes. More TB cases are reported in those areas and hence more emphasis was laid on adopting the patients under Ni-Kshay Mitra of Pradhan Mantri TB-mukt Bharat Abhiyaan. The concept of the campaign is to enable the people who can afford to adopt the poor TB patients and provide nutritious food to them for a period of six months," said Gayathri.

To eliminate TB, more focus should be on tribal areas. Firstly, there should be a planning on the action to be taken after conducting a survey. The ZP will extend complete cooperation in this regard, she assured.

Commodore (retd.) Raman Arora, Course Director of CAP-TP Project, shared the information related to the project and its aim.

Asha Dinesh, wife of K. Dinesh, Dr. S. Anil, Karnataka State TB Control Officer, Dr. Rajeshwari Devi, Joint Director of Health and Family Welfare Department, Mysuru Division, Dr. Siraj Ahmed, District TB Control Officer, Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Principal of JSS Medical College, Pharmacist N. Raghavan, Proprietor of Raghulal & Co., and others were present.

Infosys Co-Founder & Ashraya Hastha Trust Founder K. Dinesh and his wife Asha lighting the lamp during the launch of CAP-TB project at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital on M.G. Road in city recently.

Under Ni-Kshay Mitra, 900 TB patients adopted in Mysuru

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (PM&BS)- District TB Control Officer Dr. Siraj Ahmed said that 'The programmes will be implemented by City NGO to get rid of TB in Mysuru and Chamarajanagar. The required financial assistance will be given by Ashraya Hastha Trust. The City NGO will start with awareness programmes and take up the diagnose in association with Health and Family Welfare Department.'

Dr. Siraj Ahmed told *Star of Mysore* that "Last year, a total of 4,066 TB cases were identified in Mysuru district, and free treatment is available under Pradhan Mantri TB-mukt Bharat Abhiyaan. Along with this, under Ni-Kshay Mitra, the TB patients can be adopted for six months and provide nutritious food to them for six months. Currently in Mysuru district, 2,000 TB patients are being treated and 900 among them are adopted under Ni-Kshay Mitra. Individually, I have also adopted 20 patients and Raghavan of Raghulal & Co., has adopted 500 patients."

Industrialist shot dead near Virajpet

Three persons rain bullets on him for objecting illegal tree-felling

Virajpet, Apr. 17- An industrialist, who objected illegal cutting of a tree by three persons, was shot dead by the trio at Padachi Kaadi in Thora village of Vijarpet taluk on Saturday midnight.

B.S. Madhu

The industrialist, who was shot dead, has been identified as B.S. Madhu (44), a native of Thora village, who was residing at Nagarabhavi in Bengaluru.

Madhu had come to his friend's house to celebrate *Vishu* (a cultural festival celebrating the Hindu New Year in Kerala). After having dinner at his friend's house, Madhu was proceeding towards his car to go to his house at about 12 midnight when he was shot dead.

Details: Madhu, who resides in Bengaluru, used to come to his native place as his father Bimana Nanaiah and his mother stay at Thora village, enquire their health, used to stay with them for a day or two and used to return to Bengaluru.

It is learnt that when Madhu had gone to Thora village in February, three persons of the same village had switched off the streetlights and were felling a tree in the cover of darkness near his house.

Madhu had strongly objected to the three persons chopping down a tree during which the three persons had reportedly threatened to shoot him. Police, who have suspected these three persons behind Madhu's murder, have launched a hunt to nab the killers.

Superintendent of Police (SP) K. Ramarajan, Additional SP Sundarraj, Virajpet Dy.SP Mohan Kumar, Virajpet Rural Inspector Shivarudra, Sub-Inspector Ravikumar and staff visited the spot and conducted preliminary investigation.

A case has been registered at Virajpet Rural Police Station.

Short circuit: Paint shop gutted in Kuvempunagar

Mysuru, Apr. 17- A shop selling paint, cement and steel was completely gutted in a fire caused by short circuit at Kuvempunagar in city on Saturday night.

Fire was noticed at Sri Gururaghavendra Cement and Steel shop in Kuvempunagar at about 8.30 pm which soon engulfed the entire shop destroying materials worth lakhs of rupees.

Over 15 Fire and Emergency Services personnel, who rushed to the spot along with four fire tenders, took more than two hours to bring the fire under control. The fire tenders had to refill the tanks twice to douse the fire. Luckily no injuries or loss of lives were reported.

As power was switched off due to short circuit, the fire personnel had to use torches to know about the items that had caught fire as relevant fire extinguishers had to be used.

Two-day TiECON concludes with new business ideas

Creating value, driving economy, networking and startup promotion focus of many sessions

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (MK&BCT)- The two-day annual flagship event TiECON Conference with the theme 'Business Scalability and Sustainability' came to a close on Apr. 15 at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel. It was a technology conference designed for entrepreneurs, corporate executives and investors.

The event was a platform for entrepreneurs to connect, network, meet and share ideas, concepts, challenges and initiatives with successful entrepreneurs, Angel investors, Venture Capitalists and like-minded people with similar backgrounds and objectives.

Speakers at various sessions and fireside chats recalled how the world was in a volatile and a turbulent environment. Despite this, the reality is that there has never been a better time to build, to startup, to build companies or a better time to invest in startups, both tech and non-tech startups, they opined.

Delegates had the opportunity to hear from renowned speakers who are successful entrepreneurs, innovators, investors and professionals from around the world. The event also threw light on individuals and companies that have successfully traversed this path, providing a great example for other businesses to learn from and take inspiration.

Some of the sessions of the concluding day were a fireside chat on 'Challenges in Scaling: Tier 2 cities' with founder director of Safe Hands 24/7 Services Pvt. Ltd. Shravani Pawar and founder and CEO of rProcess Outsourcing Services Pvt. Ltd. Savitha Mallappa.

A session on 'New Technologies, New Markets, New Ecosystems' was held with co-founder and CEO Mukunda Foods Pvt. Ltd. Eshwar K. Vikas and co-founder and CEO of Artpark Umakant Soni and founder and CEO of Siply Sousthav Chakrabarty.

REAL STORY OF RESILIENCE

The other highlight was a session on 'Story of Resilience and Endurance with the captain of Indian Blind Cricket team Shekhar Naik. Member of Reserve Bank of India Board Swaminathan Gurumurthy delivered a keynote address virtually. The day ended with a talk on 'Building for Bharat' by President of TiE Bengaluru Madan Padaki.

Shekhar Naik made the disability of blindness not his weakness but a reason to move on and to do something unique in life. His sheer passion and determination to play cricket in his life led him to become the Captain of the Indian Blind Cricket Team and also led India to win the World Cricket Champion title in 2012.

"Blindness never held me back nor I ever felt weak or disheartened. Rather I embraced my disability with dignity and courage. I did not think about what I cannot do due to my disability but tried to focus on what I can actually do and what I want to do," he told the audience in his address.

"Visually impaired cricketers don't just play for money, jobs, fame or happiness. We play to gain confidence and we play to prove that a blind man can do anything. Playing cricket gives us that extra motivation and energy. I did not play cricket to earn money. That was never my aim. Only after winning the World Cup, we have started getting some financial support," he added.

Organisers and members of TiECON Mysuru 2023 after the event. Seen are** (sitting from left) **Prashanth Bhat, Nikitha Patel, G.S. Kishan, Shivashankar, Vidyashankar, Mahesh Kattale, Nagarajan Srinivasan, Ajith Pai, Dr. Mahesh Rao, Sendil Kumar and Rajendra Todalbagi;** (standing from right) **Adarsh Ramesh, Viren Ranjan, Shivakumar, Sudhanva Dhananjaya, Manish Salian, Bhaskar Kalale, B.N. Pramodh, C.K. Sabareeshan, K. Venkat, Pradeep Kumar, S. Karthigeyan and Shankar Prasad.

TiECON Lifetime Achievement Award

Promoter and Managing Director of Kaynes Technologies Ramesh Kannan, who was conferred with TiECON Lifetime Achievement Award on the concluding day of the two-day TiECON Mysuru 2023 in city, is seen with** (standing from left) **TiE Charter Member C.K. Sabareeshan, TiECON Mysuru 2023 Co-chair Dr. Mahesh Rao, TiE Charter Member Bhaskar Kalale, TiE Mysuru Charter Member Ajith Pai, TiE Mysuru Chapter President Sudhanva Dhananjaya and TiECON Mysuru 2023 Chair Nagarajan Srinivasan.

Promoter and Managing Director of Kaynes Technologies Ramesh Kannan was felicitated with TiECON Lifetime Achievement Award for being instrumental in ushering world-class manufacturing concepts to India.

Kaynes Technologies is a leader in the domestic market in electronics manufacturing and the company provides end-to-end solutions to various industries, such as defence and aerospace, medical, power and energy and automotive electronics. Kaynes' products are part of Sukhoi jets and metro trains running in India.

In a fireside chat on 'Path to IPO', Ramesh Kannan said that India will reach global heights in electronics manufacturing in the next eight to 10 years as the Government has favourable policies now. "There is a huge demand for electronics and India can take a giant leap in manufacturing electronics products if better infrastructure is in place with a better ecosystem," he said.

Show of strength: Candidates take out procession before filing nominations

Chamundeshwari JD(S) candidate G.T. Devegowda went in an open vehicle procession accompanied by thousands of followers to submit his papers.

Chamaraja BJP candidate L. Nagendra taking out a procession along with MP Pratap Simha, party leaders and hundreds of workers before submitting nomination papers this morning.

NR BJP candidate Sandesh Swamy seen with City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, BJP leaders B. Siddaraju, B.P. Manjunath and others before taking out a rally.

Mysuru, Apr.17 (RK&MTY)- The city was a sea of humanity this morning as thousands of party workers representing different parties hit the streets as most candidates took out a grand procession as a show of their strength before filing their nomination papers at the respective Office of the Returning Officer (RO).

Chamundeshwari MLA and JD(S) candidate G.T. Devegowda (GTD) took out a mammoth procession from Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple at the Palace North Gate to the Taluk Office at Nazarbad where he filed his nomination papers.

Thousands of his supporters had gathered from different parts of Chamundeshwari Constituency in bikes and other vehicles at the temple, where GTD offered prayers to the deity. He also garlanded the statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in Town Hall premises from where he went in a procession standing in an open vehicle and waved at his supporters all through the route.

At the Taluk Office, GTD presented his nomination papers to Assistant Commissioner Kamalabai, the RO for Chamundeshwari Constituency. Throughout the procession, GTD was accompanied by City JD(S) President K.T. Cheluvegowda, District President Narasimhaswamy, Hunsur JD(S) candidate G.D. Harish Gowda, who is the son of GTD, Corporator SBM Manju and others.

Tight security

Police had provided tight security around Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple and all through the procession route. The Mobile Command Centre vehicle attached to the city Police was stationed at a vantage point close to the temple for capturing images of public and vehicular movement.

Chamundeshwari Congress candidate files nomination

Congress candidate for Chamundeshwari Constituency Mavinahalli Siddegowda too filed his nomination papers later in the afternoon after taking out a grand procession of his supporters from Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple to the Taluk Office.

Though thousands had gathered for the rally, the Traffic Police saw to it that there was no disruption of vehicular and pedestrian movement in city.

Chamaraja BJP candidate L. Nagendra

Chamaraja BJP candidate and MLA L. Nagendra submitted his nomination papers to MCC Commissioner and Returning Officer G. Lakshmikantha Reddy at the MCC Main Office on Sayyaji Rao Road. Ahead of filing the papers, Nagendra took out a huge procession along with bike rally from Raghavendraswamy Mutt near Shantala theatre on N.S. Road to the MCC Office.

Earlier, Nagendra, accompanied by MP Pratap Simha, Mayor Shivakumar, ZAK Chairman M. Shivakumar and other leaders sought the blessings of Sri Raghavendraswamy at the Mutt.

NR BJP candidate Sandesh Swamy

Narasimharaja (NR) BJP candidate Satish (Sandesh Swamy) presented his nomination papers to S.G. Manjunath Singh, Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Mysuru, who is the RO for NR Constituency at the Office of the Assistant Director of Youth Empowerment and Sports in Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad, at the auspicious time of 12.05 pm. He was accompanied by City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa and party leaders Bhanuprakash, Anil Thomas and B.P. Manjunath.

Earlier, Sandesh Swamy took out a huge procession from Hulimamma temple in Kyatamaranahalli to the stadium.

KR Congress candidate M.K. Somashekar

Not to be left behind, KR Constituency Congress candidate and former MLA M.K. Somashekar too took out a colourful rally from Ramalingeshwara temple in Vidyaranyapuram to the MCC Main Office accompanied by a host of folk and cultural troupes.

Somashekar presented his papers to P. Ravikumar, CESC General Manager, who is the RO for K.R. Constituency.

Expenditure Observers keep vigil

With candidates of major political parties taking out mega rallies ahead of filing their nomination papers, Poll Expenditure Observers deputed by the Election Commission of India (ECI), have a busy job in hand in keeping tab on the election expenditures incurred by the candidates and to take necessary action in case of excess expenditures and poll code violations.

Why many nominations on Apr. 17?

Political activities have gained momentum with many candidates in Mysuru filing their nominations today (Monday, Apr. 17).

As per Election Commi-ssion notification, the last date for filing nominations is Apr. 20. To ensure victory in the hustings, candidates are opting for auspicious dates to file nominations and Apr. 17 is one such auspicious day to file the papers after visiting the places of worship.

Based on the advice from their astrologers and priests, candidates have finalised Apr. 17 as nomination filing day as it is a good day and the ideal time to hand over the papers is between 1.30 pm and 3 pm.

Many candidates are set to avoid the last date because of the solar eclipse on Apr. 20 (Amavasya). Other important date during this period is Apr. 19.

Shettar joins Congress

To contest from Hubballi-Dharwad Central

Bengaluru, Apr. 17 (Agencies)- Senior BJP leader and former Chief Minister Jagadish Shettar joined the Congress this morning ahead of the May 10 Assembly elections in the State.

A few minutes after he joined Congress, KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar (DKS) handed over 'B' form to Shettar to contest elections from Hubballi-Dharwad Central Constituency. Shettar has won from this seat six times since 1994 on the BJP ticket.

Last evening Shettar held a meeting with DKS, Siddharamaiah and Randeep Surjewala in Bengaluru and explained his terms to them. Now for the first time, he would be contesting on Congress ticket.

The 67-year-old Lingayat leader joined Congress at party office in Bengaluru in the presence of AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge, former CM Siddharamaiah, KPCC Campaign Committee Chairman M.B. Patil and AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal.

Slamming the BJP, Shettar alleged, "I was humiliated and badly treated by the BJP leaders. A few leaders in the State are misusing BJP system and it is hurtful. I have taken this decision after seeking the views of well-wishers. Believing in the Congress party's principles, I joined the Congress now. A new chapter in my political life begins."

Shettar had reportedly told BJP's Central leadership to give him a ticket to contest now as denying him an opportunity to contest will have a bearing on 20 to 25 Assembly seats in North Karnataka. He even offered to resign from MLA's post in 6 months. However, Central leadership made it clear that he would not be accommodated in the list this time.

"I am not criticising Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP President J.P. Nadda. They are unaware of the developments in State BJP. Some party leaders are above the party (BJP) in Karnataka," he said.

Kharge said, "Shettar is in the RSS, but is a non-controversial man. His joining the party would help Congress win more seats in the elections." Welcoming Shettar to the Congress, Siddharamaiah said they would look after him in the party in a dignified manner.

TAKE DIVERSION

With elections ahead, many city roads blocked for repair

Projects worth Rs. 695.6 crore; MUDA: Rs. 377.6 crore; MCC: Rs. 200 crore; PWD: Rs. 118 crore

A file photo of D.D. Urs Road which was blocked for re-asphalting works.

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Apr. 17- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has begun repairing important roads across the city that are distributed across the Assembly Constituencies of Chamaraja, Krishnaraja and Chamundeshwari amidst the thick of elections.

Asphalting machines are rumbling up in the neighbourhood and overnight, many roads are being repaired and turned to smooth, black ribbons — a pleasant surprise considering that the Election Model Code of Conduct is still in force.

Important roads have been shortlisted for urgent renovation, primarily based on the requests by the MLAs. These requests from MLAs hold significance, particularly ahead of the elections. And the urgency to repair the roads clearly suggests that they think their fate in forthcoming elections is linked to an extent to the condition of roads in their respective Constituencies.

According to the MCC officers, the tenders were called, finalised and work orders were issued even before the Model Code of Conduct was enforced. The repair works are jointly being taken up by the MCC, Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) and Public Works Department (PWD).

Officers told *Star of Mysore* that grants have come for the Chamaraja, Krishnaraja and Chamundeshwari Constituencies under the State Finance Commission (SFC) and the grant release process had been completed due to the efforts of the MLAs.

In all, road repair projects worth Rs. 695.6 crore have been taken up. Of this, MUDA's share is Rs. 377.6 crore, Rs. 200 crore by MCC and Rs. 118 crore by the PWD.

In Chamaraja Constituency, MLA L. Nagendra has initiated works in 11 packages with a grant of Rs. 50 crore including cross-roads and the roads in residential layouts. In Krishnaraja Constituency, MLA S.A. Ramdas has secured a grant of Rs. 20 crore and works are being undertaken in four packages.

In addition, former Mayor Sunanda Palanetra had used her good offices to procure a special grant of Rs. 25 crore that has been distributed to all the MCC Wards and here too, the works are in full swing in seven packages.

Under Mahatma Gandhi Nagara Vikasa Yojana (Nagarothana) Rs. 63 crore has been taken up in 11 packages out of the total grants. This apart, works are also being undertaken by the Karnataka Road Development Corporation (KRDCL).

The MUDA is undertaking over 106 repair and road restoration works worth Rs. 377.6 crore and most of the works have been completed. Under One-Time Development Scheme, the MUDA has got approval from the Urban Development Department to carry out works including asphalting, metalling, cement concreting, digging box drains, footpath beautification and development of underground drainage systems.

The PWD is undertaking works on the big roads within the city that are 12 to 16 metres wide like the D. Devaraj Urs Road, JLB Road, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Siddhartha Layout and certain roads of Chamundeshwari and Krishnaraja Constituencies. The PWD is undertaking 140-km of road upgradation works.

Works are underway under One-Time Improvement Appendix-C, MDR Renewal Project on Ashoka Road, Old Bank Road, Gandhi Square and the road behind the Vidyaranyapuram Sewage Farm. A total of Rs. 118 crore has been released.

Concerns about road quality

Looking at the way the road works are being undertaken just before the elections, residents have already pointed out sub-standard works which are supposedly a last-minute effort to save face ahead of voting. While the speed of work has come as a great relief to road users, they are worried about the quality of work.

"The authorities must ensure that the quality of the roads does not go for a toss in a hurry to impress the electorate. Laying roads is not just about rolling bitumen. It involves much planning and not just covering it with a black top. Contractors, who carry out road work, should be made answerable for damage within one year of the work," said residents.

Somanna files nomination

(Continued from page 1)

Addressing the rally, MP Sreenivasa Prasad, who was the first Speaker, said that he would do all he can to ensure the victory of BJP candidate Somanna.

Maintaining that the people are upset with the false promises of the Congress, Prasad hoped that the BJP would retain power with an absolute majority this time. He further said that Varuna has earned nationwide attention as it is a key Constituency in which Somanna is taking on Congress leader Siddharamaiah, who is a CM aspirant, at his home turf, where the Congress has never lost.

Somanna, who is also the declared candidate for Chamarajanagar, would file his nomination papers there on Apr. 19. Congress candidate Siddharamaiah too will file his papers from Varuna on Apr. 19.

Cong. MLA Akhanda Srinivasmurthy resigns from Assembly

Bengaluru, Apr. 17- Miffed over not being announced as the party candidate even in the third list, Congress MLA from Pulakeshinagar (SC reserved) in Bengaluru city, Akhanda Srinivasmurty submitted his resignation as MLA on Sunday.

Akhanda Srinivasmurthy, who drove to Sirsi in Uttar Kannada district, submitted his resignation to Assembly Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri at his (Kageri) office in Sirsi. Upset over possible denial of Congress ticket, Srinivasmurthy is said to be considering quitting the party itself and contest as an Independent candidate from Pulakeshinagar, which he had represented till now.

Srinivasmurthy had won from the Constituency by the biggest margin among all the Congress candidates who were elected in the 2018 Assembly polls.

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Book talk

A critical work that salutes motherhood

By Prof. G.L. Shekar

Bhyrappanavara Krithigalalli Taytanada Teregalu,' authored by Prof. L.V. Shantakumari, a critic and a translator, is a critical work that salutes motherhood delineated in its myriad forms and manifestations in Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa's novels.

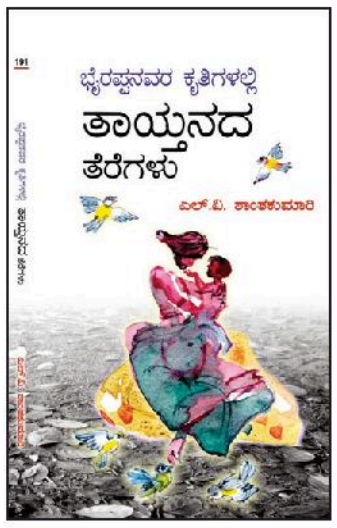
Prof. Shekar

Joys and sorrows of motherhood, the power of creation, protection and destruction of motherhood are powerfully portrayed in these works.

While the short story 'Gatajanma' written by Bhyrappa in his teenage expresses the helplessness of an uneducated, economically dependent mother who cannot protect her daughter in some novels, we get the picture of mothers-to-be,who have to terminate their pregnancy owing to personal, social and other pressures. Here, the mothers-to-be are educated and are shown how they can live economically independent.

Savitri of 'Sakshi', Manohari Das of 'Mandra' and Amrita of 'Anchu' are some examples. Mother like Lakku turns revenge incarnate, when she knows Manjayya has seduced her daughter Latha. Motherhood here transformed itself as savior of all innocent girls from vicious clutches of diabolic beings like Manjayya. We are made to witness that trial and the tribulations, agony and pains, joys and responsibilities of motherhood from Katyayani of 'Vamshavriksha' to Sita of 'Uttarakanda'.

Prof. L.V. Shantakumari, who has enriched the Kannada language through her many-splendoured literary works, has delved into the novels of Dr. Bhyrappa in such a depth that when we read 'Yugasakshi' and 'Pratibhana', we feel that the characters of the novels converse with her and empty their hearts to her. The same insight has worked in the writing of 'Taytanada Teregalu' as well.



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Publisher: Sahitya Bhandara, Bengaluru

She has unveiled a fascinating world of different facets of motherhood through Bhyrappa's works. Her keenness in understanding the conflicts of motherhood has covered a wide spectrum of mothers starting from seemingly unimportant and a nameless mother of 'Gatajanma' to the most powerful, magnanimous mother, Kunti of 'Parva'. She brings out with examples the warmth, dedication, affection, sacrifice and strength of mothers and at the same time throws light on the evils a motherhood does to the society when it gets possessed by selfishness. A totally convincing depiction makes the book an enjoyable and thought provoking reading.

'Taytanada Teregalu' book was released recently by Shatavadhani Dr. R. Ganesh at Gokhale Institute of Public Affairs, Bengaluru in the presence of Dr. Bhyrappa, Dr. Chandrashekhara Kambara and Dr. S.R. Ramaswamy. The 144-page book, published by Sahitya Bhandara, Bengaluru, is priced at Rs.175.

FROM LEFT: ***Shashank Parashar, Dr. G.L. Shekar, Prof. L.V. Shantakumari, Dr. S.R. Ramaswamy, Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, Shatavadhani Dr. R. Ganesh, Sahana Vijaykumar and Shashikiran.***

Joyalukkas hands over 'Joy Homes' key

Joyalukkas Foundation conducted Joy Homes key handing over ceremony at Markuli, Hassan, in the presence of Yeshwanth (Taluk Panchayat Executive Officer, Hassan), Rakesh (PDO - Markuli Gram Panchayat), V.S. Jinesh (Regional Manager, Joyalukkas Karnataka Region) and M.V. Praveen Kumar (Branch in-Charge, Joyalukkas, Hassan) and others. Joy Homes is one of the CSR activities of Joyalukkas Foundation where funds are mobilised to build homes for needy.

Rotary District Governor inaugurates Toilet Block and Science Labs in Schools

Mysuru, Apr. 17- Rotary District Governor Rtn. Major Donor Prakash Karanth, RI District 3181, during his official visit to Rotary Ivory City Mysuru inaugurated a Toilet Block constructed at a cost of Rs. 3.5 lakh at Hardwicke School. He also commissioned a Drinking Water Unit at the school recently.

Later he inaugurated a Biology Lab and a Chemistry Lab at Sri Sathya Sai Baba PU College which were set up by the Club at a cost of another Rs. 3.5 lakh.

Then he visited Usha Kiran Eye Hospital where eye surgeries were performed to children for sight correction. He also distributed spectacles to those identified through eye screening camps conducted at various schools.

In the evening, the DG distributed 5 sewing machines to poor ladies who underwent training at the Skill Development Centre of Rotary Ivory City functioning at Family Planning Association India, Mysore Centre.

Assistant Governor Rtn. S. Balachandar released a Special Club Bulletin TUSKER on the occasion. The Club honoured Dr. K. V. Ravishankar of Usha Kiran Eye Hospital for his support in executing Club's Global Grant Project "Ivory Tender Vision".

The DG was also given a brief report about the Rotary Dialysis Centre at Chamarajanagar established as a Joint Project of Ivory City and RC Chamarajanagar where dialysis is provided to patients at subsidised charges.

District Governor Rtn. Prakash Karanth lauded the Club for its service projects to enhance the image of Rotary as well as to help the poor and needy sections of society. Club President Rtn. M.N. Ramesh, Secretary Rtn. R. Muthukumaran, Zonal Lieutenant Rtn. Ramachandra Raje Urs, Presidents and Secretaries of other Rotary Clubs were also present at the function.

Retired MMC&RI Professors felicitated

Mysore Medical College and Research Institute Teachers Association (MMC&RITA) felicitated retired Professors Dr. G.R. Jagannath Babu, Assistant Professor of Microbiology, Dr. Mamatha, Professor of Department of OBG and Dr. D.N. Prakash, Professor of Department of Ophthamology, on their superannuation at a programme held at its Department of Pathology Lecture Hall recently. They are seen with *(standing from left)* ***Dr. Shubha Jayaram, Executive Committee (EC) Member, MMC&RITA, Dr.N.Sreenivas, Secretary, MMC&RITA, Dr.K.H.Hemanth Kumar, Treasurer, MMC&RITA, Dr. H.L. Krishnegowda, Building Committee Chairman, Indian Medical Association (IMA), Mysuru Branch, Dr. B.L. Nanjundaswamy, Medical Superintendant of K.R. Hospital, Dr. K.R. Dakshayani, Dean and Director, MMC&RI, Dr. Y.M. Shivakumar, President of IMA Mysuru, Dr. Shivakumar B. Lakkol, IMA Karnataka State Branch President and Dr. B.N. Anandaravi, President, MMC&RITA.***

'Spoorthi' community service

Mysuru, Apr. 17 - Spoorthi, the ladies wing of Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre, has contributed storage racks to Anganwadi school at Janathanagar recently.

On the occasion of World Hearing Day, Spoorthi also contributed towards procuring Cochlear 7S Speech Processor to a needy girl.

Spoorthi President Vani Subramanya, Secretary Nanda Rathnaraj, Treasurer Jhanhavi Dinesh, members Anitha Sridar, Yashoda Mahadevswamy, Nalina Raviratnakar, BAI member Prabhakar Rao, ex-Corporator Jagadish, Suresh Bangari, Ramesh, Shivanna and School staff were present on the occasion.

Mysuru District to have women exclusive 55 pink polling booths

By M.B. Pavan Murthy

K.M. Gayathri

Mysuru, Apr. 17- In a woman-friendly initiative, the District Administration will be setting up five all women Sakhi Pink Polling Booths in each of the 11 Assembly Constituencies in the district totalling 55, in order to ensure larger participation of women in the elections to take place on May 10.

The initiative is based on the idea of the Election Commission of India (ECI). The Sakhi Pink Booths also facilitate the women voters to exercise their franchise smoothly and fairly as voting is considered as a democratic festival. All the pink booths will have a Presiding Officer, an Assistant Presiding Officer and a Polling Officer, besides other staff. All the 55 booths are painted in pink colour so as to differentiate it from others.

ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri said that five select booths in each of the 11 Constituencies of the district have been marked as women exclusive Sakhi Pink Booths. The main objective of Pink Booths is enhancing the poll percentage among women voters. All these booths will be manned and managed by women officers.

Likewise, special booths for the physically challenged and young voters, besides theme-based booths and ethnic booths too will be set up, for the convenience of the targeted voters, she said adding that all measures will be taken to ensure a high voter turnout in the May 10 Assembly polls.

File photo

Pink booths in city

K.R. Constituency: Sarada Vilas College in Krishnamurthypuram (Booth No.123), Devayyanahundi Government Higher Primary School (Booth No. 209), Maharshi Public School, Vishweshwaranagar (Booth No.15), JSS Central School, J.P. Nagar (Booth No. 222) and JSS High School, Lakshmipuram (Booth No.127).

Chamaraja Constituency: Government Higher Primary School, Kumbarakoppal - Booth No. 61 (Room No.1) and 62 - (Room No. 2), Government Higher Primary School, Kailaspuram (Booth No. 194), Office of the Executive Engineer, CNNL, Manjunathapura (Booth No. 106) and Government Higher Primary School, M.G. Koppal (Booth No.18).

N.R. Constituency: Srikanteshwara Educational Institutions, N.R. Mohalla (Booth No.171), Government Higher Primary School, Ghousianagar (Booth No.180), Sultan Shahid Technical School, Udayagiri (Booth No. 229), Samudaya Bhavan, Kurimandi, Rajendranagar (Booth No. 46) and Leads Central School, Gayathripuram (Booth No.152).

Chamundeshwari Constituency: Chamundi Hill Gram Panchayat Office (Booth No. 237), Government Higher Primary School, Yelwal (Booth No. 33), Government Higher Primary School, Rattanahalli (Booth No. 18), Government Higher Primary School, Belawadi (Booth No. 96) and Government Higher Primary School, Bogadi (Booth No. 148).

Similarly, five pink booths in each of the other 7 Constituencies in the district are located in Government Higher Primary Schools/High Schools/PU Colleges at Kupparavalli, Hoskote, Pillalli, Hale Kempayyanahundi and Suttur in Varuna Assembly segment. Bannur, Hanumanalu, Mugur, Talakad and Hosa Hemmige in T. Narasipur Assembly segment. Hallere, Shiramalli, Kurahatti, Kusuvinahalli and Nerale in Nanjangud Assembly segment. Hunasekoppa, Madapura, H.D. Kote town, Saragur and Haleyur in H.D. Kote segment. Hunsur Town (2 Nos), Manuganahalli, Bannikuppe and Undawadi in Hunsur Assembly segment. Hosa Agrahara, Byadarahalli, Saligrama, Chandagaalu and Hampapura in K.R. Nagar segment and at Bettadapura, Kittur, Alanahalli, Ravandur and Kanagalu in Periyapatna Assembly segment.

'I am confident of winning from both Varuna and Chamarajanagar'

BJP Minister V. Somanna calls on former Congress MLA Vasu

Minister V. Somanna called on former MLA Vasu at the latter's residence in Jayalakshmipuram yesterday. Senior BJP leader M.V. Ravishankar, Vasu's son Ritesh Gowda and others are seen.

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (GA&DM)- Maintaining that the people of Varuna and Chamarajanagar Constituencies would vote for him if they want development like in Bengaluru's Govindarajanagar, which is currently represented by him, Housing Minister V. Somanna said he has full confidence of winning from both the Constituencies which he is contesting.

Speaking to presspersons after visiting the residence of former Congress MLA Vasu in Jayalakshmipuram here last evening, Somanna said his visit to Vasu's residence was a courtesy call.

Stating that he has been in touch with Vasu ever since they met at late Seer Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji's programme at Adichunchanagiri Mutt 36 years ago, he said that he has called on Vasu as a mark of their long-standing friendship.

Pointing out that he would welcome Vasu, who has been denied the Congress ticket from Chamaraja, to the BJP if he would like, Somanna clarified that he had visited Vasu's residence to enquire about his health and not with an intention of inviting him to the BJP fold.

Stating that one of Vasu's sons Kaveesh Gowda has been given BJP ticket from Chamundeshwari Assembly segment, the Minister observed that Vasu has been cheated by the Congress, which party he was associated with for over four decades.

Somanna further maintained that it was he who was responsible for Siddharamaiah to become the Deputy Chief Minister when J.H. Patel served as Chief Minister in the 1990s.

Replying to a question on former CM Jagadish Shettar's exit from BJP, Somanna said he had spoken to Shettar regarding the matter. Stating that Jagadish Shettar was one of the politicians who was much liked by him, he said he could not understand why Shettar was leaving the party.

Former MLA Vasu said that he and Somanna were friends for the past 30 years. Asserting that Somanna had done a good job as a Minister, Vasu said he welcomed Somanna to his residence with all humility.

"Somanna asked me to bless my son Kaveesh Gowda, who is contesting from Chamundeshwari on a BJP ticket," he said asserting that there were no political talks more than that.

Voter awareness campaign for public at Raitha Santhe

Public taking an oath during the voter awareness campaign held at the Sunday Mart in Vijayanagar here yesterday.

Mysuru, Apr. 17 (SSM)- With an intention to make sure that every citizen cast their votes in the upcoming Assembly elections, a voter awareness campaign, organised jointly by Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) Committee, Agriculture Department was held during the Bhanuvara Santhe (Sunday Market) at Raitha Santhe building (farmers market) in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage here yesterday.

The awareness campaign was conducted in a bid to shore up voting percentage. Various authorities conducted the voting awareness campaign yesterday.

Taluk Panchayat Executive Officer H.D. Girish, who spoke, stressed on the importance of exercising one's franchise and make sure that we try to bring changes within the system. He called upon on people to come forward and vote on May 10 Assembly polls without fail.

Gundlupet First Grade College lecturer Chamaraju, who too spoke, said that voting is an effective tool to strengthen the democracy. "Every vote has its own value and it is the duty of every sensible citizen to vote," he added.

An oath was administered to the people on the occasion. Rural Employment Assistant Director K.M. Raghunath, Agriculture Department Assistant Director H.V. Madhulatha, M. Mahadevu of Fisheries Department and others were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Polyped

Pronunciation: pol-ee-ped.
Meaning: A being or object having many legs.
Origin: Poly- comes from Ancient Greek polýs, meaning "many," while -ped is from Latin pēs, "foot," meaning that polyped is a blend of roots from two different languages. An all-Greek version would be "polypod," while an all-Latin version would be "multipod" instead. Polyped was first recorded in English around 1820.
Example: Centipedes, millipedes, and several other kinds of polypeds scurried across the forest floor.

THE ODD WORD

Palewise

(of heraldic charges) oriented vertically.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Pig and whistle

Meaning: A popular name for British pubs.
Origin: The 'Pig and Whistle' is an archetypal pub name and is as likely to crop up in Olde England costume dramas as are men in tights and buxom serving wenches. There are several authentic old 'Pig and Whistle' pubs in the UK, but the name was in reality never commonplace. Dunkling and Wright's Wordsworth Dictionary of Pub Names, 1994, estimated that there were just 10 pubs of that name in the UK in 1980s. That was before the opening of the many theme pubs and restaurants throughout the world that have appropriated the name. Like many old pubs names, 'The Dog and Duck', 'The Goat and Compasses', the derivation of 'The Pig and Whistle' is uncertain. There are several suggested origins. Most of these propose that the 'pig' part of the name derives from the name of a drinking vessel or container. The names given are variously, 'peg' (a set of pins fixed at intervals in a drinking vessel), 'piggin' (a wooden drinking vessel or ladle), although most seem to have missed the rather more obvious 'pig' (an earthenware pot or pitcher). The 'whistle' element is harder to pin down. 'Wassail' has been suggested. This is the salutation used in toasting a person's health — the reply being 'drink-hail'. Wassail is also the name of the spiced ale that was drunk on Twelfth-night and Shakespeare referred to this in Macbeth, 1605: Will I with wine and wassail so convince/ That memory, the warder of the brain. Another suggestion, and this one positively reeks of folk-etymology, is a story that servant were obliged to whistle when they were sent to the cellars for pigs of beer, to prove that they weren't drinking the stock. That may be true - and pigs might fly.

QUOTE BOX

A whistle blower is the highest achievement that a person can reach with the next generation. **— Steven Magee**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Q
E
H 2 0

Answer: Watershed down.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

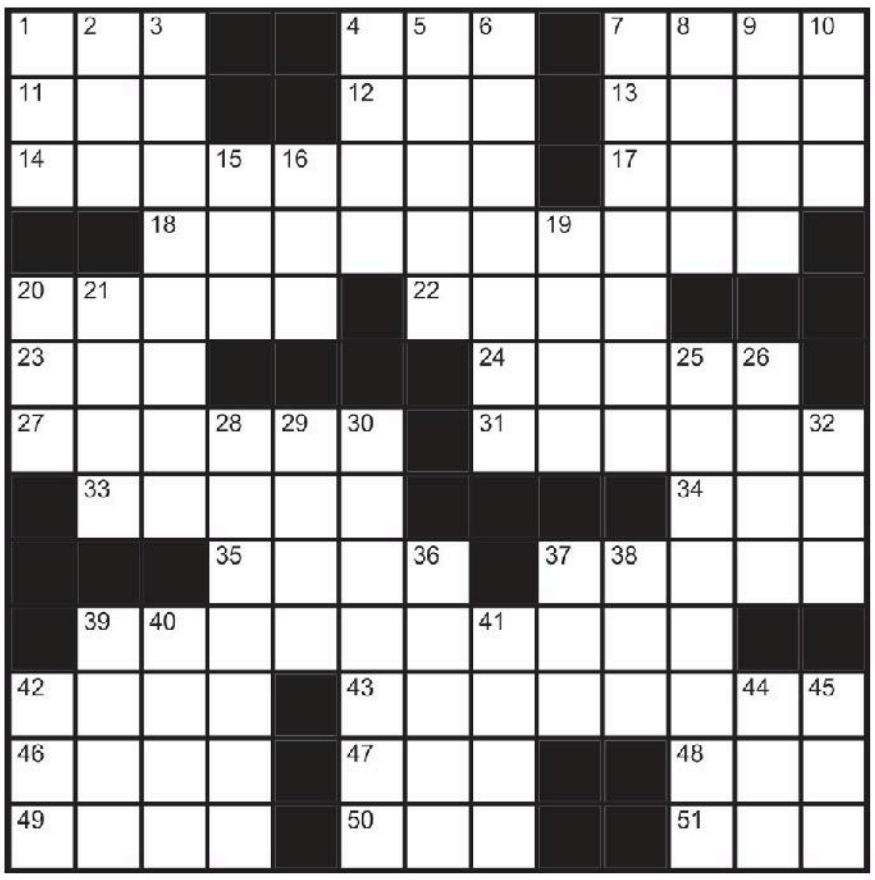
1 Recede or flow back
4 Former Rus. state
7 Engrossed
11 Open land
12 Estimated time of arrival, in short
13 Leave
14 Chess champion Gary ___
17 Malt beverages
18 Endangered
20 Aircraft captain
22 The trench surrounding a castle
23 Where __ __ : comment of a person who is lost? (2,1)
24 Rises before vision with an appearance of great or portentous size?
27 Desert plant
31 Middle Eastern country
33 A NZ Polynesian
34 Vaccination (informal)
35 Border
37 Conjecture
39 Riddles
42 Operatic solo
43 Emotionally troubled
46 Indonesian island
47 Vegas opening
48 Solid water
49 Radical C-5 H-11 in organic chemistry?
50 Sys. and Research Centre
51 Dairy farm resident

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

C	A	L	F	■	J	E	R	K	■	T	A	C
R	H	E	A	■	U	S	S	R	■	A	M	U
E	O	I	N	■	G	A	V	A	S	K	A	R
W	Y	A	T	T	■	■	P	A	R	E	■	■
■	■	■	A	W	E	S	■	L	I	C	I	T
P	A	N	S	O	P	H	Y	■	■	A	R	A
S	P	E	Y	■	I	O	U	■	A	R	K	S
S	I	P	■	■	C	A	R	E	L	E	S	S
T	O	O	T	H	■	L	I	L	T	■	■	■
■	■	T	A	U	T	■	■	F	E	A	T	S
M	A	I	N	M	E	A	L	■	R	I	O	T
P	M	S	■	A	T	N	O	■	E	D	G	E
H	I	M	■	N	E	A	T	■	D	A	S	T

DOWN

1 Caribou cousin
2 __ __ good boy : behave yourself (2,1)
3 Large Christian church
4 Withered like a leaf
5 Tempest
6 Pasta squares
7 Estate agent
8 Spindle, revolving shaft
9 Having various colours
10 Time To Station, abbr.
15 Program Mgmnt. Organization
16 Likely, suitable or appropriate
19 Cambodia's neighbour
20 Pol. Act. Comm.
21 Muslim priest
25 Regal, kingly
26 Large water bodies
28 Ingrown one can be very painful?
29 Asian language
30 Alarms, flares, etc
32 Pounds abbr
36 Mystery writers' awards
37 Alimentary canal
38 Actress Thurman
39 Crush, jam pack or gorge
40 Greasy
41 Reduced Instruction Set Comp.
42 Arab sleeveless garment
44 Green prefix?
45 Condensed moisture



SUDOKU

	1	4				5	3	
				5				
	6		2		3		9	
		9		2		8		
6								3
		2		1		6		
	2		8		6		5	
				4				
	7	1				9	6	

Answer to previous puzzle

5	3	2	7	6	1	8	4	9
8	9	7	2	5	4	3	1	6
4	6	1	3	8	9	7	5	2
7	1	4	8	2	3	6	9	5
2	5	3	6	9	7	1	8	4
9	8	6	1	4	5	2	7	3
3	7	5	4	1	2	9	6	8
1	4	8	9	3	6	5	2	7
6	2	9	5	7	8	4	3	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

KRTY JZP RLFT L YPWQTM ZH NAELSMTTLQUT NPCATE CZ

XTMHZMW, LUKLJE NZ CRT WZEC NAELSMTTLQUT HAMEC.

TODAY'S CLUE: C EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Everything has been figured out, except how to live.

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Mariguddada Gaddadharigalu (K)	(S-2)	10.50 am
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm, 7.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am
Undenaama (K)	(S-2)	4.25 pm, 10.00 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Rudhran (Ta)	(S-3)	4.15 pm, 7.05 pm
Madanolsavam (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te-3D)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 1.20 pm, 4.15 pm 7.00 pm, 9.50 pm

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Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	:	10.30 am, 1.15 pm, 4.00 pm 6.30 pm, 9.00 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te)	:	10.45 am, 1.40 pm 4.35 pm, 7.15 pm
Undenaama (K)	:	10.45 am, 4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
Suraari (K)	:	1.30 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	1.35 pm, 4.30 pm

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The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	9.50 am, 7.55 pm
Rudhran (Ta)	:	10.30 am, 4.45 pm, 10.05 pm
Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	:	10.35 am, 2.05 pm 7.50 pm, 9.45 pm
Super Mario Bros. movie (E-3D)	:	10.50 am, 4.10 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te)	:	11.00 am, 1.05 pm, 4.45 pm 6.25 pm, 10.30 pm
Renfield (E)	:	11.15 am, 2.20 pm, 7.45 pm
Suraari (K)	:	12.15 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	1.15 pm, 4.05 pm, 6.55 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	:	1.40 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4	:	3.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Mariguddada Gaddadharigalu (K)	:	4.40 pm
Madanolsavam (Ma)	:	6.40 pm
Dasara (Te)	:	9.30 pm
Pookkaalam (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

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Rudhran (Ta)	:	12.20 pm, 6.20 pm
Suraari (K)	:	12.30 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te-3D)	:	12.45 pm, 3.50 pm, 6.55 pm, 10 pm
Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	:	1.45 pm, 4.25 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Undenaama (K)	:	3.25 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	3.30 pm, 9.30 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	6.35 pm
Corona Papers (Ma)	:	9.00 pm

IPL: Hardik Pandya joins elite list

Becomes only 2nd Indian to achieve this feat

Ahmedabad, Apr. 17- Gujarat Titans skipper Hardik Pandya yesterday achieved a significant milestone by scoring 2000 runs in the Indian Premier League (IPL). Pandya achieved the feat during a match against Rajasthan Royals at the Narendra Modi Stadium here.

Pandya achieved this feat as he smashed the crucial runs in the eighth over, smashing a carrom ball from off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin over mid-off/ extra cover. Pandya, who started the game just 16 runs shy of the 2000-run mark, has now joined an elite group of IPL players who have scored 2000 runs and taken 50 wickets. The hard-hitting all-rounder has taken 50 wickets in the IPL over a nine-year and 100-match career.

Only Shane Watson, Andre Russell, Ravindra Jadeja, Kieron Pollard, and Jacques Kallis have accomplished this feat in the IPL. Pandya's outstanding performance has cemented his place among the league's most successful all-rounders.

Coming to the Sunday's match, Shimron Hetmyer and Sanju Samson played sensational knocks as Rajasthan Royals defeated Gujarat Titans by 3 wickets.

Chasing 178, Rajasthan Royals found the going tough but Samson's 60 off 32 and Hetmyer's 56 not out off 26 took them through. Earlier, David Miller and Shubman Gill had steered Gujarat Titans to 177 for 7 in 20 overs. While Gill's 45 off 34 provided a good start to Gujarat Titans, Miller's 46 off 30 gave late impetus. Abhinav Manohar also scored quickfire 27.

Sandeep Sharma was the pick of the bowlers with figures of 2 for 25. RR skipper Sanju Samson had won the toss and opted to bowl in the game.

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob. : 7829999465

Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	(S-2)	11.50 am, 2.30 pm, 5.10 pm 7.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te-3D)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 12.50 pm 6.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-3)	10.40 am, 4.05 pm, 9.30 pm
Undenaama (K)	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 6.50 pm
Rudhran (Ta)	(S-4)	12.25 pm, 6.55 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Pookkaalam (Ma)	(S-4)	10.00 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	(S-4)	3.30 pm
Trailer Screen in Schedule	(S-4)	11.30 am

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob. : 9606976757

Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	(S-2)	11 am, 1.40 pm, 4.20, 7 pm
	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te-3D)	(S-3)	10.20 am, 4.20 pm 7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Rudran (Ta)	(S-4)	10.40 am; (S-1) 3.50 pm
Undenaama (K)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 7.50 pm
Shaakuntalam (Te)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Maariguddada Gaddadharigalu (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Madanolsavam (Ma)	(S-4)	7.25 pm
Corona Papers (Ma)	(S-4)	10.10 pm
Trailer Schedule	(S-1)	6.55 pm
Praveena (K)	(S-4)	4.45 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

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TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 17)

RCB Vs **CSK** — 7.30 pm
M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru

TOMORROW'S MATCH (APRIL 18)

SRH Vs **MI** — 7.30 pm
Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium, Hyderabad

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

MI - 186 / 5 (17.4)
BEAT
KKR - 185 / 6 (20)

RR - 179 / 7 (19.2)
BEAT
GT - 177 / 7 (20)

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